

REMARKS

The above-identified application is United States application serial number 09/855,457 filed on May 15, 2001. Claims 1-26 are pending in the application. Claims 1-26 are rejected.

Specification

Applicant has replaced the title as appropriate according to the claims and specification.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to correct the informality and correct antecedent basis as suggested by the Examiner.

Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claim 26 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Morikawa et al., US 5,528,285. Applicant has amended claim 26 in a manner that is believed distinguishes over the cited references.

Rejection of Claims Under 35 U.S.C. §103

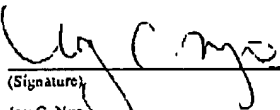
Claims 1, 2, and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ganthier et al., US 6,081,422. Claims 3, 12, and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ganthier et al. US 6,081,422, in view of Morikawa et al., US 5,528,285. Claim 5 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ganthier et al. US 6,081,422, in view of Yanagisawa, 5,223,875. Claims 6-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Ganthier et al. US 6,081,422, in view of Morikawa et al., US 5,528,285 and Inubushi et al., US 6,148,075. Applicant has amended the claims to further specify "a camera docking interface in a physical and electronic configuration compliant with controls and surfaces of multiple various digital camera designs and adapted to operate the digital camera as an electronic picture frame using the digital camera controls alone," distinguishing over the cited references.

Claims 14 and 19-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over McIntyre et al., US 5,598,237, in view of Hayashida et al., US 5,081,478. Claims 15 and 18 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over McIntyre et al., US 5,598,237, in view of Hayashida et al., US 5,081,478, as applied to claim 14 above, and further in view of Morikawa et al., US 5,528,285. Claims 16 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over McIntyre et al., US 5,598,237, in view of Hayashida et al., US 5,081,478, as applied to claim 14 above, and further in view of Squilla et al., US 6,078,756. Applicant has amended the claims to further specify "a camera docking interface in a physical and electronic configuration compliant with controls and surfaces of multiple various digital camera designs and adapted to operate the digital camera as an electronic picture frame using the digital camera controls alone," distinguishing over the cited references.

CONCLUSION

The application, including all remaining Claims 1-26, is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at (949) 251-0250.

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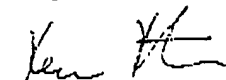
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